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PRESENT ONLY IN PATHOGENIC MYCOBACTERIA  
AND EXPRESSED SELECTIVELY AT PHOGOSOMAL  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir/Madam:

Prior to examination of the present application, please consider the following.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.